



Conference for scientists on climate change and IPCC

PRELIMINARY AGENDA

1st June 2018, Jelgavas iela 1, University of Latvia

9:30-10:00	Registration and coffee
10:00-10:10	<p>Official opening</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hans-Otto Pörtner, Co-Chair of IPCC WGII • Alda Ozola, Deputy State Secretary of the Ministry of Environmental Protection and Regional Development of the Republic of Latvia (tbc)
10:10-11:10	<p>Overview of the IPCC Fifth Assessment Report and its preparation process:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Key messages on The Physical Science Basis by Lucka Bogataj, IPCC Author • Key messages on Climate Change Adaptation by Hans-Otto Pörtner, Co-Chair of IPCC WGII • Key messages on Mitigation of Climate Change by Diana Ürge-Vorsatz, Vice-Chair of IPCC WGIII
11:10-11:30	Q&A session
11:30-12:10	<p>Climate changes and its assessment in the Baltic states</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Overview on Latvia's situation by Andris Vīksna, Head of the Forecasting and Climate Department of the Latvian Environment, Geology and Meteorology Centre • Overview on Estonia's situation, Mart Raamat, Ministry of the Environment of the Republic of Estonia • Overview on Lithuania's situation (tbc)
12:10-12:30	Q&A session
12:30-14:00	Lunch break
14:00-14:20	Overview of the methodologies for calculation of greenhouse gas emissions and their development process by the IPCC – video presentation by Kiyoto Tanabe, Co-Chair of the IPCC Task Force on National Greenhouse Gas Inventories (TFI)
14:20-14:40	Importance of country-specific greenhouse gas emission factors – video presentation by Eduardo Calvo, Co-Chair of the IPCC TFI



Vides aizsardzības un
reģionālās attīstības
ministrija



14:40-15:00	Q&A session – remotely with Fahmuddin Agus, Member of the IPCC TFI
15:00-15:10	Role of the IPCC in policy making by Jonathan Lynn, IPCC Head of Communications and Media Relations
15:10-15:20	Role of climate change data in business by Diana Ürge-Vorsatz, Vice-Chair of IPCC WGIII
15:20-15:30	National climate policy and related tasks for the science by Ilze Prūse, Director of Climate change department of the Ministry of Environmental Protection and Regional Development of the Republic of Latvia
15:30-15:45	Coffee break
15:45-16:05	Sixth Assessment Report and other reports to be prepared by the IPCC by Diana Ürge-Vorsatz
16:05-16:15	Regional Learning opportunities by Daithi Stone, IPCC Author
16:15-16:30	How can experts from the Baltic countries contribute / be involved by Jonathan Lynn, IPCC Head of Communications and Media Relations
16:30-16:50	Experience on working with the IPCC by Zinta Zommers, IPCC Author & Lucka Bogataj
16:50-17:00	Q&A session



ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Hans-Otto Pörtner	Co-Chair of WGII ¹
Diana Ürge-Vorsatz	Vice-Chair of WGIII ²
Lucka Bogataj	Former IPCC Bureau Member, IPCC Author, expertise in WGI ³ and WGII matters
Kiyoto Tanabe	Co-Chair of TFI ⁴
Eduardo Calvo	Co-Chair of TFI
Fahmuddin Agus	Member of TFI
Zinta Zommers	Latvian author for the IPCC Special Report on Land Degradation, Food Security and Climate Change
Jonathan Lynn	IPCC Head of Communications and Media Relations

¹ The **IPCC Working Group II (WG II)** assesses the vulnerability of socio-economic and natural systems to climate change, negative and positive consequences of climate change, and options for adapting to it. It also takes into consideration the inter-relationship between vulnerability, adaptation and sustainable development. The assessed information is considered by sectors (water resources; ecosystems; food & forests; coastal systems; industry; human health) and regions (Africa; Asia; Australia & New Zealand; Europe; Latin America; North America; Polar Regions; Small Islands).

² The **IPCC Working Group III (WG III)** assesses options for mitigating climate change through limiting or preventing greenhouse gas emissions and enhancing activities that remove them from the atmosphere. The main economic sectors are taken into account, both in a near-term and in a long-term perspective. The sectors include energy, transport, buildings, industry, agriculture, forestry, waste management. The WG analyses the costs and benefits of the different approaches to mitigation, considering also the available instruments and policy measures. The approach is more and more solution-oriented.

³ The **IPCC Working Group I (WG I)** assesses the physical scientific aspects of the climate system and climate change. The main topics assessed by WG I include: changes in greenhouse gases and aerosols in the atmosphere; observed changes in air, land and ocean temperatures, rainfall, glaciers and ice sheets, oceans and sea level; historical and paleoclimatic perspective on climate change; biogeochemistry, carbon cycle, gases and aerosols; satellite data and other data; climate models; climate projections, causes and attribution of climate change.

⁴ The **Task Force on National Greenhouse Gas Inventories (TFI)** was established by the IPCC, at its 14th session (October 1998), to oversee the IPCC National Greenhouse Gas Inventories Programme. Its objectives are: to develop and refine an internationally-agreed methodology and software for the calculation and reporting of national GHG emissions and removals; and to encourage the widespread use of this methodology by countries participating in the IPCC and by signatories of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change.